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RACERS ARRIVE IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 26.—The American, Italian and French automobiles in the New-York-to-Paris race have now arrived here.

Vierra As Delegate To Coast

It pays to be a president, whether of a bank, a sugar plantation, a Society for the Suppression of Insuperable Incidents, or a baseball league. It sort of places a man before the public eye, and then, of course, in the case of the bank president and the sugar plantation owner, there is always a trifling cash remuneration. President A. K. Vierra, of the Kalaianoleo baseball league, however, says that he is satisfied with the way the world is treating him regardless of the fact that he does not receive a princely salary for his services as the chief executive of the ball-throwers.

The other night he was elected delegate to the convention of the Foresters Lodge in Oakland, which will be held some time during the coming summer. It is a well known fact that Vierra is popular with his baseball associates, and that the league over which he has control has prospered since he took charge of it, and there is no doubt but that the Honolulu Foresters will receive their share of attention when he goes to the Coast. He says, however, that he will make a home run for Honolulu when his business in Oakland is completed.

SPORTIVE SPLURGES

Jimmie Britt's gold fish died down at "Scotty" Meston's yesterday, and the genial proprietor has a blooming hunch that James "Hun" lost out to the flatterer in their scrap which was billed to come off Tuesday night. The probabilities are that the fight was a dead one.

The Kam track teams are getting together and commencing to practice with a vim, under the tutelage of Registrar C. E. Livingstone. Mr. Livingstone devotes all of his spare time to looking over the boys' sports.

Stanley Kennedy has a good chance to win the E. O. Hall & Son trophy in the tennis matches that are now going on at Oahu College. He won in 1906 and another win would make the cup his for keeps.

The Kama and the U. A. C. want a fifty yard dash added to the program of the big meet, and the Kalih Athletic club last night offered a gold medal for such an event as a special race.

What's the matter with a fifty yard dash in the meet, anyway? Are they all afraid of En Sue? McKenzie of the Kama is touted as being fast enough to take care of the Chinese lad.

The only thing that is worrying "Proxie" Vierra now is the fact that the fleet may happen along here just when he is due to go away.

Games scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 29th, are as follows: Y. M. C. A. vs. Diamond Heads at 2:30 p. m. Punahou vs. Malles, after first game.

Golfers claim that the course at Haleiwa is much superior to the one at the Country Club. It is smooth and hard.

The Kam girls are displaying very much interest in the records made in practice by their collegiate chums.

A. Lota, the champion hurdler of the Kama, is working out in a try for a new record.

A "jumping hole" is now being prepared by the Kam boys for use in practice.

The track meet of the Kama and Puna will take place on the 14th prox.

The Miller street tennis tournament starts next Monday.

Wrestlers Sign Articles This Afternoon

Eddie Tate and Willie Vida, the wrestling managers, will come together this afternoon at 2 o'clock and see what can be done towards working up a match. If they can come to any sort of an agreement, they will probably sign articles for a meeting of their respective giants on the fourth of April. Tate wants the time in the interim to get his man in condition. Vida has been keeping pretty quiet about the man he is backing, but it is generally understood that he is a Japanese. It is sure that he must have a reputation for there is all kinds of money in sight to back him against the Swiss.

The advent of "Sailor" Roberts puts another light on the wrestling game for if the Froelcher-Japanese match falls through, the husky belonging to Uncle Sam will take on either of the men. He has everything to gain and nothing to lose, and he is eager for a mix-up.

HANDBALL TOURNAMENT HAS 23 ENTRIES NOW

Handball is engaging the attention of a great many of the athletes of the Y. M. C. A. nowadays, and as the time draws near for the big match tournaments, the players are spending as much of their time as possible on the courts. At present there are 23 entries for the tournament. A large trophy cup will probably be offered to the winning men in the teams and singles.

A meeting of the athletic committee of the Y. M. C. A. is scheduled for this afternoon to decide whether or not the Association will enter a team in the track meet next month. The handball tournament will take place on March 5.

All the carpenters' interior work should be completed today on the yacht Hawaii. Then the decorators and painters will be given a chance to finish the job. The cabin is practically done.

TRACK MEET OFF

There is a strong possibility that the track meet between the High School and Oahu College will not take place on Saturday, as it was scheduled, and it may be that the two schools will not come together at all. It seems that the Oahu athletes want the meet on the Punahou grounds, while the High School contingent demand the Boys' Field.

From all accounts, there is a pretty squabble going on at the present time over the matter and the chances are against holding the meet Saturday.

HONOLULU WEATHER

February 27.
Temperatures—6 a. m., 69; 8 a. m., 74; 10 a. m., 70; noon, 73; morning minimum, 69.
Barometer, 8 a. m., 29.94; absolute humidity, 8 a. m., 6.709; grains per cubic foot; relative humidity, 8 a. m., 74 per cent; dew point, 8 a. m., 65.
Wind—6 a. m., velocity 4, direction N. E.; 8 a. m., velocity 3, direction W.; 10 a. m., velocity 3, direction S.; noon, velocity 8, direction S.
Rainfall during 24 hours ended 8 a. m., .09 inch.
Total wind movement during 24 hours ended at noon, 129 miles.
W. M. B. STOCKMAN,
Section Director, U. S. Weather Bureau
It is learned that John D. Rockefeller was caught by the failure of the National Bank of North America, New York. He loaned the bank \$120,000 of his gilt-edged securities in October to save it.

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SAILOR ROBERTS IS ANOTHER WRESTLER

William Roberts, a burly sailor on the U. S. S. Ironhorse, is the latest addition to the list of wrestling finds in this city. He is a big fellow, though deceiving in his looks, weighing about 185 pounds in trim for a match, and is said to be a wonder for strength. His arms are as big as an ordinary man's leg, and when he shakes hands, and says "Ich bin glücklich," etc., the poor unfortunate feels as if he had met with a rock-crusher. Roberts is a German, which fact is apparent when he talks.

He has not wrestled for about a year and a half. His last big match was pulled off in Germany before one of the sports clubs there. Last night he ran across Eddie Tate, manager of big Froelcher, and immediately tossed a challenge in his face. Tate backed off, for Roberts is a "dark horse" as yet, and said that he (Roberts) might do for a preliminary match, thereby getting a chance at one of the top-notchers later. From the appearance of Roberts, however, he looks as if he could go against the best of them right now. He is in the best of condition and has been for some time. If he has skill and inside knowledge of the game in proportion to his apparent strength, he should be a man worth backing to the limit.

CROP REDUCED BY

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facture were less than in any one year of the previous six years and considerably below the average. With normal weather from the time of tassel and through the harvesting of this crop, at least 7000 tons of sugar would have been manufactured. Instead of this result, there were manufactured from the 60,000 tons of cane harvested from the Kahuku fields 6308 tons of sugar. In comparison it is interesting to note that in 1906 the yield from the 60,025 tons of cane harvested from the Kahuku fields was 6713 tons of sugar, and in another year, 1903, the yield from 56,406 tons of cane was 6861 tons of sugar.

Crop of 1908. The cane of this crop recovered well from the severe winter weather of 1907 and had a rapid growth until the time of maturity. All this cane tassel early with the exception of the short ratoons, which tasseled sparsely. The cane area is as follows: 338.4 acres plant cane, 385 acres long ratoons, 341.6 acres short ratoons, a total of 1255 acres. This should yield 6750 tons of sugar.

Harvesting this crop commenced on December 10th. Up to the present writing, February 4th, 3018 tons of sugar have been manufactured. The fields harvested have yielded as much sugar as was estimated.

Crop of 1909. This crop will be harvested from 698.91 acres plant cane, 370 acres long ratoons, 387.5 acres short ratoons, a total of 1,456.41 acres. Over 95 per cent of the unusually large acreage of plant cane had been planted and had received its first irrigation before the 15th of September. The fall weather was favorable for growing cane. At present writing this young cane is in remarkably good condition. All the fields of short ratoons were brought under cultivation before the first of February.

Improvements. The only addition made during the year to the improvement account was \$1152.30, the cost of building a sugar warehouse near the factory. This was made necessary by the continued failure of sugar vessels to arrive on time. In a number of instances Kahuku sugars were stored several weeks to prevent shutting down the factory.

General. The continued practice of burning off the fields of cane before harvesting and of systematically collecting borer beetles has resulted in reducing the number of cane-borers. This pest is found in constantly diminishing numbers. The fields are also comparatively free from leaf-hopper and other pests.

The plantation buildings are in good repair, the machinery is in first-class order and the rest of the equipment is in good condition, so that there should be no abnormal repair expenses during the coming year.

From the condition of the sugar on arrival at the refineries, especially such sugar as has been in warehouses, a much-needed addition to the equipment of the factory is a sugar drier. Such a piece of machinery would not only tend to prevent the deterioration of the sugar between the factory and the refineries, but would also reduce the cost of manufacture by making it possible to produce the same grade of sugar as at present with less manipulation of low-grade sugars and less handling of first product in the sugar-room.

There was considerable excitement in the Punahou section this forenoon when a servant of Mrs. W. W. Dimond found a supposed thief leaving the house through a window. The description given of the man is that he looked like a native. So far as known he seemed no booty.

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